

Amendments to the Abstract:

In the Specification, please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten Abstract. A clean copy of the Abstract is enclosed.

~~Methods~~ A method of making a multilumen catheter assembly (~~5,6,7,8,9,10,11~~) to include a unitary portion (~~12~~) and at least two distal end tubes (~~14,16~~) extending distally from the unitary portion. The unitary portion includes an exterior having a generally ~~round~~ circular or oval shape in cross section and includes at least two distal end tubes (~~14,16~~) of generally semi-circular (or other) cross sectional shape extending longitudinally therethrough. The catheter assembly may be made by extruding a unitary tube having internal longitudinally extending lumens (~~24,26~~) (of semi-circular or other shape), then splitting the tube on its distal end portion ~~B~~ to form distal end tubes. The tubes are then ground and polished, the finished tubes retaining in combination the ~~generally oval~~ cross sectional shape of the unitary extrusion, or the finished tubes can each be finished to ~~a circular, or other,~~ another cross sectional shape, or the finished tubes could include a combination of cross sectional shapes over ~~its~~ their longitudinal lengths.